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101st Congress

Joint Resolution

To designate October 30, 1990, as "Refugee Day".

Nov. 8, 1990
[S.J. Res. 375]

Whereas in the past decade the world refugee population has more than doubled from 7,300,000 to 15,000,000;

Whereas the United States has always played a leading role in refugee matters worldwide;

Whereas the origins of the United States as a land of refuge for those escaping persecution and the development of the United States as a nation of immigrants gives the country a deep understanding of and sympathy for the plight of the 15,000,000 refugees in the world;

Whereas refugees who have come to the United States have made significant contributions to the country;

Whereas the United States consistently encourages other countries to expand efforts to help the needy population of refugees;

Whereas the current world refugee situation requires that the United States continue to be a leader in refugee affairs: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That—

(1) October 30, 1990, is designated as "Refugee Day"; and

(2) the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Approved November 8, 1990.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S.J. Res. 375 (H.J. Res. 653):

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Oct. 24, H.J. Res. 653 considered and passed House.
Oct. 25, S.J. Res. 375 considered and passed Senate.
Oct. 26, considered and passed House.

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